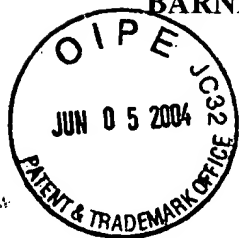


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Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed May 4, 2004. Applicant believes the Amendment filed February 3, 2004 is now in condition to be considered by the Examiner.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

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